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General Earle G. Wheeler  
Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff  
Room 2E673, Pentagon  
Washington, D.C. 20205

6 JUN 1967

Dear General Wheeler:

We plan to offer Project USEFUL, Course Number 13, during the week of 2-6 October 1967. Our primary objective is to maintain and improve CIA-DOD cooperation and coordination by giving selected officers of the Armed Services a better understanding of the CIA mission, functions and capabilities, in peace and war.

This course, like USEFUL Number 12 (April 1966), has been reduced from two weeks and redesigned to cover the essential ground in a one-week period. We hope this will permit some officers of general and flag rank to attend. It will in any case take the attending officers away from their regular duties for a shorter period of time.

We are prepared to handle fifty students and therefore request that you nominate this number of candidates plus fifteen alternates. The data requested for each nominee are shown in the attachment hereto. Such data should be forwarded to the Director of Training, Central Intelligence Agency, not later than 11 September 1967.

A review of past USEFUL courses has shown that the best results are achieved when nominees are selected on the basis of the following criteria:

- a. A current assignment (with at least a year to run) or a scheduled assignment within a major CONUS or overseas command requiring close and frequent contact with CIA representatives.

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- b. Rank of Lieutenant Colonel/Commander or above.
- c. Anticipated retention in the service for at least five years.

With your concurrence, we shall coordinate planning for military participation in this course through our established contact with SACSA.

Sincerely,

/S/ Rufus Taylor

Rufus Taylor  
Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy  
Deputy Director

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